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Applicant: Marc E. Feinberg Confirmation No. 4786
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For: TISSUE APPROXIMATION DEVICE

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of March 17, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.